(prime) in April-June' 94 was 22.2 thousand tonnes (provisional).

**Setting up of Steel Units**

4345. SHRI V. RAJAN CHELLAPPA: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the details of major, minor and medium steel units being set up in the country during the Eighth Five Year Plan period; and

(b) the progress so far made in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) and (b) Under the new Industrial Policy announced in July, 1991 the Iron & Steel Industry has been removed for the list of industries reserved for the public sector, and also exempted from the provisions of compulsory licensing under the Industries (Development & Regulation) Act, 1951 subject to certain locational restrictions. No industrial licence is, therefore, required to set up new steel plants. However, according to information available at present, the following steel plants/ units are expected to be commissioned during the Eighth Five Year Plan:—

| State | Name of the Unit and Location | Proposed Capacity (saleable Steel) in lac tonnes/year | Progress made so far |
|---|---|---|---|
| Andhra Pradesh | M/s. Vijayanagaram Steel Plant (ARM Steel Plant) Sitanagaram | 2.85 (in phase-I) | Project parameters are being firmed up by the unit. |
| Bihar | M/s. Punjab Steel Products Ltd., Jamshedpur | 3.0 (in phase-I) | -do- |
| Gujarat | (i) M/s. Essar Gujarat Ltd., Hazira | 20.0 | Plants & Machineries being erected. Plant is expected to be commissioned in October, 1994. |
| | (ii) M/s. Remi Metals (Gujarat) Limited, Bharuch | 1.0 | Land acquired. Site development completed. Building completed. Imported. Imported plant & machinery has arrived at site. |
| Karnataka | M/s. Jindal Vijayanagar Steels Ltd., Thorangalu, Bellary | 12.50 | Financial appraisal completed. Building Completed by the financial institutions and assistance being sanctioned. Part foreign (technical) collaboration proposal approved. Construction work started at site. |
| Maharashtra | (i) M/s. Nippon Denro Ispat Ltd., Raidgad | 12.0 | Land (part) has been acquired and financial assistance has already been tied up. Plant is expected to be commissioned in January, 1997. |

| State | Name of the Unit and Location | Proposed Capacity (saleable Steel) in lac tonnes/year | Progress made so far |
|---|---|---|---|
| | (ii)M/s. Lloyds steel Industries Ltd. Wardha | 4.0 | Part Production facilities commissioned in April 94. HR project to be commissioned by Oct. 94. Civil work of CR project underway. |
| Madhya Pradesh | (i) M/s. Jindal Strip Ltd., Raigarh | 5.0 | Part Production facilities already commissioned. Expected to be commissioned in December, 1995. |
| | (ii) M/s. Rajinder Steels Limited, | 1.7 | Land acquired, site development completed. Plant & machinery expected to arrive at site July, 1994. Commercial production is scheduled for October, 1994. |
| | (iii) M/s. Nova Steels (India) Ltd., Bilaspur | 2.0 | Expected to be commisioned in October, 1995. |
| Orissa | (i)M/s. Mideast Integrated Steels Ltd., Daitari | 4.10 (Phase-I) 5.50 (Phase-II) 9.60 (total) | For Phase-I, land acquired, technology tied up, finances Partly tied up, Civil work and structural work started. |
| | (ii)M/s. Brahmini Iron & Steel Co., Daitari | 7.50 | Land alloted. Project parameters are being firmed up by the unit. |
| Uttar Pradesh | M/s. Malvika Steels Ltd., Jagdishpur | 5.75 | Clearances for environment, Power obtained. Technology & financial assistance tied-up. 1st Blast Furnace expected to be commissioned by the end of the current financial year. |
| Tamil Nadu | (i) M/s. Tamil Nadu Industrial Development Corporation Ltd., South Arcot | 3.00 | Project Parameters are being firmed up by the unit. expected to be commissioned in 1996-97. |
| | (ii) M/s. Southern Iron & Steel Company Salem | 2.28 | Projection Parameters are being firmed up the unit. Expected to be commissioned in January, 1996. |